

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Pursuant to 38 C.F.R. 1.121(b), the Applicant requests that the below-identified paragraph from the specification be replaced as indicated:

Replace the fourth paragraph beginning on line 17, page 6 with the following paragraph:

--The float ring 4 is formed from closed-cell polyethylene foam ~~and may be constructed from a pre-cut strip of said foam~~ that is heat sealed end-to-end to provide an inner diameter d . One skilled in the art will understand that alternative foam construction methods are available such as molding or die cutting from raw foam sheet material.— The bowl of planter 16 is sized to nest inside the inner diameter d of ring 4, and is slidably inserted into float ring 4 until the collar of planter 16 abuts the float ring 4 (as shown), and planter 16 is then partially filled to a predetermined depth (as will be described) with a fill 20 mix 7, 8. The fill mix may be topped with other decorative materials such as gravel or wood pellets for aesthetic purposes. The fill mix preferably comprises a blend of calcined montmorillonite clay substrate and potting soil as will be described. However, one skilled in the art should understand that a similar effect may be achieved with other mixes such as regular garden dirt and other substrates.—